

The Missionary Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima Shrine



Take Courage, It is I, Do not be Afraid

Faith isn't something you ever simply achieve. It's not something that you ever nail down as a fait accompli. Faith works this way: Some days you walk on water and other days you sink like a stone. Faith invariably gives way to doubt before it again recovers its confidence, then it loses it again.

Peter is immediately buoyed up in his faith and asks Jesus to let him too walk on the water. Jesus invites him to do so and Peter gets out of the boat confidently and begins to walk on the water. But then, realizing what he was doing and the incredulous nature of it, he immediately starts to sink, cries out for help, and Jesus has to reach out and rescue him from drowning.

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"Come", says Jesus, inviting him to leave the shelter of his boat and go to where the wind and waves are. Peter starts to make his way to the Lord, but his fear is too much and he begins to sink. Faith works best when we don't confuse it with our own efforts.



August 9, 2026
19th Sunday in
Ordinary Time



1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:22-33

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The Gift Shop is open
Thursday through
Sunday, 11 am - 6 pm
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Fatima Shrine News

“On the last day, we will not be asked if we accomplished great deeds, or been acclaimed by others, rather we will be asked if we followed God’s will, in the state and condition, to which we were called.”

St. Guido Maria Conforti

Founder of the Xaverian Missionaries



Weekly Celebrations

SUNDAY

10 AM MASS IN THE SHRINE CHURCH

1 PM FILIPINO MASS (BI-LINGUAL)

SATURDAY

10 AM MASS IN THE SHRINE CHURCH
CONFESSIONS 3 PM - 4 PM

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

7:30 AM MASS IN CONFORTI CHAPEL

DAYS OF OBLIGATION

7:30 AM IN CONFORTI CHAPEL
12:10 PM IN SHRINE CHURCH

Last week's collection:

\$ 644.00

Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, August 9, 10 AM | 1 PM

+ Robert Wasnewski | +Mary Margaret Durgin

MONDAY, August 10, 7:30 AM | 6 PM

Fr. Mullen's Special Intention

TUESDAY, August 11, 7:30 AM

+ Joannah and James Brunelli

WEDNESDAY, August 12, 7:30 AM

Jeanne Monahan's special intention

THURSDAY, August 13, 7:30 AM | 6 pm Fatima Days

+ All Souls | Maria Clara Thao

FRIDAY, August 14, 7:30 AM

Tom Derrico, get well and stay well

SATURDAY, August 15, 10 AM

+ Mrs. Cecilia Gauvin

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